



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. Of: SAKUMA et al.  
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**STATUS REQUEST**

Dear Sir:

Further to your notice dated June 3, 2005, Applicants have yet to receive an Action on the merits with respect to the above referenced application. Please advise of the status of this application. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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